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BLOOD PLASMA IN SHORT SUPPLY IN WARSAW;
TO IMPROVE LODZ HEALTH SERVICE

CENTER SUPPLIES LESS THAN HALF OF PLASMA NEED -- Zycie Warszawy, 14 Jun 50

The Blood Donors' Center at Katowica Street, Warsaw, supplies 200 liters of blood monthly to the city hospitals, which need about 500 liters per month.

The Polish Red Cross cannot expand its activities at the center since its quarters are too small to accommodate more donors.

300 NEW SANATORIUM BEDS -- Dziennik Zachodni, 16 Jun 50

Before the war, the bed capacity of sanatoriums in Poland was 4,000; in the postwar period, it reached nearly 8,000. This number does not include the bed capacity of various health resorts. However, it still does not meet the needs. In 1950, 300 new beds were provided for various sanatoriums. The Olsztyn tuberculosis sanatorium received 50 new beds, increasing its total bed capacity to 200.

A 50-bed sanatorium for women convalescing from tuberculosis is being built in Karpacz-Zarzeczce in the Sudety area.

In Oliva near Gdansk, a 60-bed sanatorium for tubercular children has been opened which will be directed by the Children's Clinic of the Medical Academy in Gdansk.

A sanatorium, with an 80-bed capacity, for adults was opened in Czerniawie-Zdroj (spa), Dolny Slask, for treatment of rheumatism and heart diseases.

A sanatorium, with a 60-bed capacity, in Jastrzebie-Zdroj, Gorny Slask, was opened primarily for children of Slask miners and metallurgical workers.

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ZEGIESTOW SANATORIUM OPENS -- Zycie Warszawy, 13 May 50

The 120-bed sanatorium at Zegiestow Spring has been reconditioned and was opened 1 May 1950. It is equipped with curative baths, electrotherapy apparatus, spring water, etc., and specializes in diseases of the heart and the digestive system.

ORDERS TYPHOID FEVER INOCULATIONS -- Dziennik Polski, 10 May 50

In accordance with an order issued by the Mayor of Krakow, inoculations against typhoid fever will be given daily except Sundays and holidays in the health centers from 1000 to 1200 hours from 15 May to 30 June 1950.

All persons between the ages of 5 and 60, permanent or temporary residents, must comply with the order. Free inoculation or exemption certificates will be issued. Employers are forbidden to deduct from wages for time lost because of the effects of the inoculations. Parents and legal guardians are required to see that their charges comply with the order.

After the expiration of the inoculation period, schools and educational institutions and state, municipal, and private offices will not accept any person who cannot produce an inoculation or exemption certificate.

LODZ INOCULATES FOR SMALLPOX, TYPHOID FEVER -- Dziennik Lodzki, 11 May 50

Children between the ages of 3 months and 7 years in Lodz Powiat must be vaccinated against smallpox, and all persons born between 1890 and 1945 are subject to typhoid fever inoculation. Inoculations are obligatory. All persons are requested to conform to the schedules announced. Inoculations and certificates are free of charge.

NUMBER OF MALARIA CASES DOWN -- Trybuna Ludu, 16 Jun 50

Since 1 January 1950, 100 cases of malaria have been reported in Warsaw, most of which were recurrent.

There were 1,212 cases of malaria in 1949 and 1,873 in 1948.

PLANS TWO HOSPITAL CENTERS FOR LODZ -- Dziennik Lodzki, 13 May 50

At a plenary meeting of the City People's Council, it was reported that there are at present 3,741 hospital beds in Lodz, although 6,300 are needed. The council plans to build two hospital centers with a total of 1,200 beds during the next 6 years, and to enlarge three existing hospitals. This will mean a gain of 2,100 beds.

The battle against epidemic diseases is showing good results because of mass inoculations.

For more efficient health service, the city has been divided into zones each with a health center open for 12 consecutive hours each day. These centers, however, have not been properly equipped or staffed and, in many cases, are not serving their purpose. Out of 55 centers, only 23 are functioning properly. Specialist centers have not yet been organized. Factory clinics are deficient in many respects.

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The problem of handling tuberculosis, alcoholism, venereal diseases, and mother and child care was discussed. It was reported that 33,000 consultations were given to pregnant women and to children under 3 years of age.

One of the shortcomings is poor distribution of pharmacies which, for the most part, are privately owned. Of the 51 pharmacies in Lodz, only ten are socialized.

Socialized health service could be improved by proper allocation of doctors to handle factory patients and by the elimination of malingerers from doctors' offices.

ORGANIZE MODEL HEALTH SERVICE STATIONS -- Trybuna Ludu, 12 May 50

The Ministry of Health plans to organize the Health Services of Sochaczew Powiat to serve as a model for the entire nation. This industrial and agricultural powiat has with several large factories and convenient transportation to Warsaw.

Medical aid in industry, producers' cooperatives, State Farms, and schools will be organized on modern lines and studied very closely. Experience gained from the experimental organization of the model powiat will be used to organize health service stations on the lowest administrative level, the gmina.

TO REGISTER DENTISTS -- Trybuna Ludu, 10 Jun 50

Registration of dentists will be conducted during the summer of 1950. The Health Department of the People's Council in Warsaw has announced that the following documents must be presented: a license certificate authorized to practice dentistry and two photographs. Those who have not yet received their license certificate are required to present a diploma, evidence of Polish citizenship, two photographs, and a certificate stating that the applicant has had at least 2,000 hours of practical experience.

DISCOVER HOT SPRINGS IN OZORKOW -- Zycie Warszawy, 13 May 50

Natural hot springs have been discovered in Ozorkow near Lodz. In one 110-meter-deep well, four veins of water with a 24-degree-centigrade were discovered. The water has the characteristic odor of hydrogen sulphide and tastes of iron.

Additional 200-meter-deep wells will be drilled to determine the therapeutic value of the springs.

EYE CLINIC LACKS EQUIPMENT -- Trybuna Ludu, 16 Jun 50

The Eye Clinic of the Warsaw Faculty of Medicine has only one antiquated slit lamp. Examination is very lengthy and tedious.

This is the only eye clinic in the city with 24-hour service which handles numerous cases of injury to the cornea. The clinic, which should have at least three slit lamps, has been endeavoring to procure a modern one, but its request seems to be traveling through the various bureaus without receiving attention.

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The clinic's orthoptic laboratory has planned research in squint correction in children by means of motion pictures. The project is falling through, however, because the clinic is unable to secure even one roll of film from Film Polski without charge. Film Polski insists that the clinic pay a daily rental fee of several hundred zlotys or procure the film from a private firm.

Most of the complicated orthoptic equipment has been made by hand by the clinic's personnel. -- Letter to the editor from a doctor

GIVES MEDICAL ADVICE BY RADIO -- Trybuna Ludu, 16 Jun 50

In accordance with a ruling of the Ministry of Posts and Telegraphs, the Marine Health Office introduced continuous medical service in order to give medical advice by radio to ships of the Polish Merchant Marine. This will be of great value in administering immediate aid in emergency cases.

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